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25X1 2. Stanchev was denounced by General Krum Lekarski, Deputy Minister of War, and General Todor Toshev, commander of the Bulgarian First Army at Sofia, both Communists, to General Peter Vranchev, the Communist Chief of the Bulgarian Military Intelligence Service. Although the denunciation was motivated by personal spite on the part of Lekarski and Toshev, the Communists seized this opportunity to liquidate the remaining resistance elements in the Government.

3. Major Marko Ivanov, one of the chief witnesses for the Government, testified as the Communists required after two months torture. Communist members of the Government used this opportunity to denounce personal enemies. Colonel Dimitar Stamboldjiev (retired) was involved in the trial because of enemies he had made in political activities in 1923.

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